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Randy O'Dell gives \$4M to ignite Wellspring Calgary's south house dream

CALGARY – Wellspring Calgary is pleased to announce that local entrepreneur Randy O'Dell, founder and president of O'Dell Electric, has donated \$4M toward the building of a second Wellspring home in south Calgary.

This unprecedented donation enabled the acquisition of land in the Seton community. It will also facilitate the development of the future Wellspring Calgary Randy O'Dell House. This new south house will meet the increasing demand for supportive cancer care in Calgary and Southern Alberta.

"After building a successful business in Calgary, I was eager to find a way to give back to this community that has given so much to me," said O'Dell. "When I learned about Wellspring and the very important role it plays in supporting people living with cancer, I realized I could help in their vision to build a much needed second location. My desire to provide a long lasting and meaningful gift to our community will be met."

Wellspring's Carma House in northwest Calgary has been over-capacity for five years and currently supports more than 3,600 individuals living with cancer. To address the growing need, Wellspring will open a temporary second home in leased space at Glenmore Trail and Blackfoot Trail SE this coming fall. This interim step, in concert with the future Randy O'Dell house, fulfills the Board's long-term growth vision to increase its services in Calgary and to develop a provincial strategy to help people live well with cancer.

Patti Morris, Executive Director stated: "We see daily how our programs empower and fortify individuals in their cancer journey. We are thrilled that Mr. O'Dell's extremely generous and timely, gift advances our ability to permanently provide vital programs to southern Albertans closer to reality."

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About Wellspring Calgary

Founded in 2007, Wellspring Calgary is a charitable organization that supports, informs and empowers those diagnosed with cancer by helping them address the fear, isolation, disruption and practical problems cancer can bring to their lives. Wellspring's vision is to ensure that no one has to face cancer alone.

As an affiliate of the Wellspring Cancer Support Foundation, Wellspring Calgary provides a comprehensive range of support, resources and programs so anyone living with cancer and the people who care about them can improve the quality of their lives. All programs and services are informed by evidence and offered free of charge and without referral in a welcoming and caring community-based centre.